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Minister to acknowledge the receipt of your note of the 12th inst., and to say, in reply, he must, of course, be sorry if any of his country women, in

positive or disposal or extraction, should think him irrationally disposed to withhold from them facilities in his power to grant for travelling on the continent of Europe; but when the indispensable qualification for an ambassador is that he should be a Statesman, friendship, "does not exist—when, indeed, it is manifestly an impossibility by law that it should exist a just sense of his official obligations, under instructions received from his Government as long ago as the 8th of July, 1856, and since then strictly conformed to, constrain him to believe that the demands of Miss Bessy P. Rowland cannot be complied with.

Respectfully, your obedient servant.

BEEJAM. MORAN,
Assistant Secretary of Legation.

Sir: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of yesterday's date.

My application is now before the

traordinary. You now lay down the rule that persons free-born in the United States, and who have been subjected all their lives to the taxation at other burdens imposed upon American citizens, are to be degraded of the rights of citizenship because their complexions happen to be dark, and that they are to be refused the aid of Ministers of their country, whose salaries they contribute to pay.

'I remain, Sir, your obedient servant,

'SARAH P. REMOND.'

'PASSPORT. I, the undersigned Secretary of State of the United States of America, hereby request of whom it may concern, to permit safely and freely to pass Sarah P. Remond, a citizen of the United States, and in case of need to give her all lawful aid and protection.

'Given under my hand, and the impression of the seal of the Department of State at the City of Washington, the 10th day of September, 1851, in the 83d year of the Independence of the United States.

LEWIS CASS.

'Department of State.'

THE POLICY OF COERCION.

Week before last, the Charleston *Mercury* gazetted the firm of Claffin, Melien & Co., New York as Beecher abolitionists, and especially unworthy Southern patronage. It has since been furnished with the names of such retail merchants in Charleston as were deemed unworthy such a connection.

firm, and the names of such firms as never trade with them; and it is 'surprised to find how few' in the latter category.' The charge against the firm is, that they all attend Beecher's Church, in Brooklyn, and one of them has subscribed \$6000 towards the new Pilgrim Church. It seems that Charles

merchants will not be allowed to trade with them any more, however. The edict has gone forth. The *Mercury* says:

"We are pleased to announce that a card is suggested in King Street, which shall pledge its sign not to contribute towards the prosperity of such open and manifest enemies by purchasing supplies at the

We doubt whether Boston merchants would submit to such espionage and dictation in their business as the *Mercury* assumes, even if there was paper here base enough to enter upon the dirty

This system of coercion and insolent bullying the part of Southern politicians is no new thing. It has been repeatedly resorted to, not only to manufacture pro-slavery men at the North, but for other political objects.

The game of coercion, by which Southern politicians have to some extent heretofore controlled the political affairs of the North, is about played out. It has been overacted. There may be some few leaders here who now crouch like whipped spaniels at the threats of the pro-slavery Democratic press, but there is a feeling of manliness and independence

among the great majority of our people which has been thoroughly aroused. The arrogant bluster of these politicians, and their reckless and disorganizing attempts in Congress to intimidate the North are doing more to strengthen the Republican party than was accomplished even by the aggressions in Kansas. The Democratic music of the President

THE 'IRREPRESSIBLE CONFLICT' A TWO-EDGED SWORD. The South is laying about with its abolition message with a double-edged sword that will cut off in disgust some of their tried soldiers.

abolition responds with such blind fury that men as well as fogs are struck down. An incident illustrative of this recently occurred at Columbus, Miss. The agent of a northern mercantile house visiting the city was suspected of being an abolitionist in disguise, and having left town for a day or two Mr. James Blair searched his trunk for proof of

treasonable character. He found on opening the trunk a copy of a letter to a friend, which commenced by saying that it was 'all right with him and the Brown family'; then Mr. Blair's excitement was reported to have been very great, and he threw down the letter, confident that he had detected the traitor.

A bystander picked up the letter, and upon a further perusal discovered that the 'Brown family' in question was not that of Osawatومية, but was the family of old Mr. and Mrs. Brown, who had a certain daughter that had captivated the unfortunate drummer; then followed an overhauling of the records of the consignment again, which

the correspondence of the unfortunate swim, which resulted in some very interesting developments in the way of soft sentiments. At this juncture affairs, Dr. Shepherd came up and pronounced the procedure an outrage; Mr. Blair replied with a curse, saying that if he took sides with the northern agents, he was no better than one of them. She

herd then told him that he would have to answer for his remarks, or something to that effect, arming himself with a walking-stick, for a day two was on the watch for Blair to show himself the streets. That individual, however, kept out the way until the second night after the words were passed, when they met, and Shepherd commenced

caning Blair, whereupon Blair drew a pistol, and shot him three times, Shepherd continuing to can him until he fell dead. Thus was the Doctor's life sacrificed to a blind rage against abolitionists. I. Shepherd formerly resided in Texas, and held the position of Secretary of the Navy under Gen. Houston in the time of the Texas Republic. He was

ANOTHER MECHANIC DRIVEN FROM THE SOUTH.
Mr. Perley Sasser, of Oxford, a year ago last March went to South Carolina to superintend a steam saw

mill, his employer also being an Oxford man. In industry and economy, he accumulated sufficient funds to purchase a house, and he thought himself settled for life. Mr. Seaver, says the *Worcester Transcript*, was a quiet, religious man, and as there was no preaching or other religious exercises in the place, he was wont to call his neighbors together

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